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WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU UPDATES BROADCAST INCENTIVE AUCTION FILE FORMATS FOR FORWARD AUCTION CLOCK PHASE, INCLUDING FILE FORMATS FOR BID UPLOAD FEATURE FOR ALL ROUNDS

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- 1. The Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (Bureau) today updates specifications for Auction System data file formats and provides a new set of sample data files for the clock phase of the broadcast incentive auction's forward auction (Auction 1002). Of particular note, today's updates include the specifications for data file formats and sample data files that will enable bidders to use the Auction System's bid upload feature in all rounds of the auction. Other minor modifications have been made to the supporting text and file specifications. A complete description of all modifications is included in the updated specifications.
- 2. The updated specifications and sample data files are available on the Auction 1002 website (www.fcc.gov/auctions/1002) in the Data section. The specifications provide for each data file an overall description of the file, the data fields that are included (with definitions of the data elements in each field), the data type, examples, and notes. Please note that for the sample data files the website provides a single ZIP file containing the individual CSV files, but the Auction System will provide each of the CSV files separately. We emphasize that the updated sample data files we release today are for illustrative purposes only; they do not reflect any predictions or assumptions about the actual bidding in the auction, the number of rounds, or the outcome of the auction.
- 3. For further information, contact Melissa Dunford at (202) 418-0617 melissa.dunford@fcc.gov.

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¹ The Bureau released specifications for Auction System data file formats for the clock phase of the broadcast incentive auction's forward auction on December 23, 2015, and made updated specifications available on March 24, 2016, noting that bidding file formats may be subject to minor modifications. See Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Releases Broadcast Incentive Auction File Formats for Forward Auction Clock Phase, Public Notice, 30 FCC Rcd 14655, 14655 n.1 (WTB 2015); Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Updates Broadcast Incentive Auction File Formats for Forward Auction Clock Phase, Announces a Bid Upload Feature for All Rounds, and Provides Additional Data on Impairment Data Downloads, Public Notice, 31 FCC Rcd 2129, 2129, paras. 1-3 (WTB 2016).

² On March 24, 2016, the Bureau announced that the Auction System would support a bid upload feature for all rounds of the forward auction rather than just the initial round. *See Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Updates Broadcast Incentive Auction File Formats for Forward Auction Clock Phase, Announces a Bid Upload Feature for All Rounds, and Provides Additional Data on Impairment Data Downloads, Public Notice, 31 FCC Rcd 2129, 2129, para. 3 (WTB 2016).*

³ The terminology used in this Public Notice is defined in the technical appendices to the *Auction 1000 Application Procedures Public Notice*. *See Application Procedures for Broadcast Incentive Auction Scheduled to Begin on March 29, 2016; Technical Formulas for Competitive Bidding*, Public Notice, 30 FCC Rcd 11034 (WTB 2015).